UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250 **Notice TB-948**

For: Flue-Cured and Burley Tobacco State and County Offices

Processing Tobacco Chemical Analysis Samples

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



A Background COC collects tobacco samples for chemical analysis based on reports that: • pesticides were not approved by EPA for use on tobacco • pesticides were not applied in accordance with label directions • positive results have been obtained on a sample of tobacco which is under loan. Upon collection, samples are sent to a laboratory for analysis. Effective October 1, 1999, a new testing laboratory will be used for chemical analysis of tobacco samples. B Purpose This notice provides new procedures for processing samples.

Disposal Date	Distribution
February 1, 2000	Flue-Cured and Burley State Offices; State Offices relay to applicable County Offices

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Mailing County Offices shall send samples by overnight delivery to:

Tobacco Samples

USDA/AMS/S&T, Eastern Laboratory

Attn: Roger Simonds

645 Cox Road

Gastonia, NC 28054.

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FAXing FAX a copy of MQ-38-1, when the samples are sent to the laboratory, to TPD,

MQ-38-1 Attention: Branch Chief, at 202-690-4917.

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Samples County Office shall contact the State Office for processing instructions on all

Collected samples collected before October 1, 1999.

Before

October 1, 1999

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Contact State Offices shall contact Ann Wortham, TPD, at 202-720-2715, for mailing

instructions on all samples collected before October 1, 1999.

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